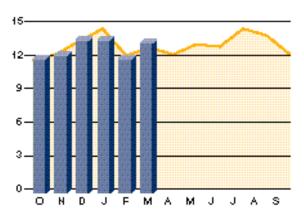
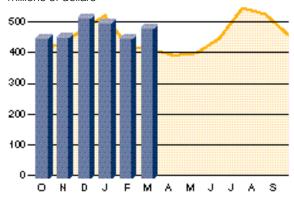
Total TVA Generation

billions of kwh



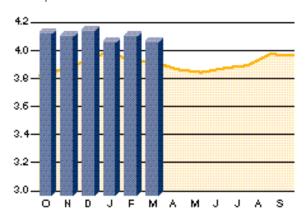
Total Electric Revenue

millions of dollars



Average Revenue

cents per kwh



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Fiscal Year 1997

During the second quarter, TVA continued to meet the challenges of increased competition through our accomplishments in maintaining operational excellence, enhancing our financial position, and serving our customers and the public interest.

Net income for the six months ending March 31, 1998, was \$44 million, an improvement of \$114 million over the same period last year. This was due to growth in energy sales of about three percent, along with additional revenues from the rate increase implemented in October 1997.

In January, Watts Bar Nuclear Plant received superior ratings in three of four areas assessed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, placing it among the highest-performing nuclear plants in the country. In February, all five TVA nuclear units operated continuously for 100 days or more, saving TVA about \$13 million over projections. And in March, Browns Ferry Unit 3 surpassed 365 continuous days online, setting the record for the longest continuous operation by a large TVA generator.

We recently appointed Mr. Oswald "Ike" Zeringue to a newly created position of President and Chief Operating Officer, giving him responsibility for TVA's power production, transmission and resource stewardship functions. We also consolidated all TVA-wide financial functions under the Chief Financial Officer to ensure greater independence and consistency in the financial review and analysis of all aspects of TVA's business. Both of these actions were taken as part of TVA's continuing efforts to prepare for success in the restructured utility industry.

Two Wall Street firms gave TVA high marks in recently-issued reports. The report by Merrill Lynch stated, "TVA is facing the future head on and is taking steps to improve its competitive position.

TVA will be a major force in the electric marketplace... once competition is fully implemented." And the report by Salomon Smith Barney says, "... [We are] impressed with the ongoing story of this unique triple-A rated utility...we believe that the business plan in place at TVA...is one that will be increasingly viewed in a positive way by investors."

TVA welcomes the move to a more competitive marketplace. We will continue to focus on providing financial flexibility, operational excellence, and superior service to our customers.

Sincerely,

Craven Crowell

Financial Highlights (millions)

Six Months Ended March 31	1998	1997_
Operating revenues	\$2,942	\$2,714
Operating expenses	(1,965)	(1,781)
Operating income	977	933
Other income, net	55	1
Interest expense	(988)	(1,004)
Net income (loss)	\$ 44	\$ (70)
Sales of Electricity (millions - kWh)		
Six Months Ended March 31	1998	1997_
Municipalities and cooperatives	57,858	55,700
Industries directly served	9,153	8,359
Federal agencies	3,437	4,365
Total sales of electricity	70,448	68,424

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net income for the second quarter of 1998 amounted to \$59 million, an improvement of \$65 million from the net loss of \$6 million for the second quarter of 1997. Net income for the six months ended March 31, 1998, amounted to \$44 million, an improvement of \$114 million from the net loss of \$70 million for the same period last year.

Operating Revenues

Operating revenues for the three months ended March 31, 1998, were \$1,477 million compared with \$1,382 million for the same period last year. The \$95 million increase was primarily due to a rate increase effective October 1, 1997, coupled with an increase in energy sales of approximately 1 billion kilowatt-hours (3 percent) as a result of colder weather compared with the second quarter of 1997. Fiscal year-to-date operating revenues increased \$228 million from \$2,714 million in 1997 to \$2,942 million in 1998. This year-to-date increase is also attributable to the rate increase implemented for 1998, as well as an increase in kilowatt-hour sales of 3 percent from 68 billion kilowatt-hours in 1997 to 70 billion kilowatt-hours in 1998.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses increased \$69 million from \$886 million for the three months ended March 31, 1997, to \$955 million for the same period of 1998. This increase is primarily attributable to higher fuel and purchased power costs as a result of higher overall generation, higher coal prices, and lower hydro generation. Operating expenses for the six months ended March 31, 1998, were \$1,965 million compared with \$1,781 million for the same period last year. The \$184 million increase consists primarily of higher net fuel and purchased power expense related to higher overall generation and higher coal prices, higher depreciation and amortization expenses related to capital project completions, and higher general and administrative expenses as a result of an accounting change (such costs are no longer allocated partially to capital projects, but instead are expensed in the period incurred).

Interest Expense

Net interest expense decreased \$10 million and \$16 million for the three months and six months ended March 31, 1998, respectively, compared with the same periods of 1997. These reductions result from both a lower level of total outstanding debt and lower average interest rates during 1998.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Net cash provided by operations increased \$63 million and \$16 million for the three months and six months ended March 31, 1998, respectively, compared with the same periods of 1997. Cash used for construction activities declined \$40 million and \$91 million for the three months and six months ended March 31, 1998, respectively, compared with the same periods of 1997. These reductions reflect the continued emphasis on cost control and process improvement initiatives. Operating cash flow, net of cash used for construction activities, was \$312 million for the six months to date and will be applied toward TVA's debt reduction efforts.

BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited)

ASSETS	March 31 1998	September 30
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Inventories (at average cost) and other Fuel	\$ 643 593	\$ 299 701
Other Total current assets	314 1,701	<u>287</u> 1,399
Property, plant, and equipment Completed plant Less accumulated depreciation Net completed plant Construction in progress Deferred nuclear generating units Nuclear fuel and capital lease assets Total property, plant, and equipment	28,704 (7,537) 21,167 565 6,306 938 28,976	28,528 (7,178) 21,350 605 6,303 1,040 29,298
Investment funds	643	561
Deferred charges and other asse Loans and other long-term receivables Debt issue and reacquisition costs Other deferred charges Total deferred charges and other asse	124 806 1,566	121 1,096 1,209 2,426
Total assets	\$33,816	\$ 33,684
LIABILITIES AND PROPRIETARY CAPIT		A 100
Accounts payable Accrued liabilities Accrued interest Discount notes	\$ 354 126 499 1,717	\$ 468 161 499 2,151
Current maturities of long-term debt Total current liabilities	203	574 3,853
Other liabilities	2,197	1,704
Long-term debt Public bonds—senior Federal Financing Bank—senior Public bonds—subordinated Unamortized discount and other Total long-term debt	20,999 3,200 1,100 (568) 24,731	20,354 3,200 1,100 (502) 24,152
Proprietary capital Appropriation investment Retained earnings reinvested in	578	588
power program Total proprietary capital	3,411 3,989	<u>3,387</u> 3,975
Total liabilities and proprietary capital	\$ <u>33,816</u>	\$ 33,684

STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)	Three Months Ended March 31		Six Months Ended March 31		
	1998	1997	1998	1997	
Operating revenues	1)	MILLIONS)	(N	IILLIONS)	
Sales of electricity					
Municipalities and cooperatives	\$ 1,290	\$ 1,204	\$ 2,580	\$ 2,350	
Industries directly served Federal agencies	115 55	110 46	242 86	227 97	
Other	17	22	34	40	
Total operating revenues	1,477	1,382	2,942	2,714	
Operating expenses					
Fuel and purchased power, net	314	273	643	555	
Operating and maintenance	317	301	674	603	
Depreciation and amortization	259	244	517	488	
Tax-equivalents	65	68	131	135	
Total operating expenses	955	886	1,965	1,781_	
Operating income	522	496	977	933	
Other income (expense), net	28	(1)	55	1	
Income before interest charges	550	495	1,032	934	
Interest expense					
Interest on debt	483	498	977	997	
Amortization of debt discount, issue, and reacquisition costs, net Allowance for funds used during construction	21	25	40	49	
Net interest expense	(13) 491	<u>(22)</u> 501	<u>(29)</u> 988	(42) 1,004	
Not interest expense					
Net income (loss)	<u>\$ 59</u>	\$(6)	<u>\$ 44</u>	\$(70)	
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited)					
Cash flows from operating activities					
Net income (loss)	\$ 59	\$ (6)	\$ 44	\$ (70)	
Items not requiring cash	329	300	646	601	
Other changes, net Net cash provided by operations	93 481	<u>124</u> 418	(132) 558	<u>11</u> 542	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Construction expenditures	(123)	(163)	(240)	(331)	
Allowance for funds used during construction Other, net		(6)	(35)	42 (41)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(119)	(147)	(246)	(330)	
Cash flows from financing activities					
Borrowings, net Other	(560)	(251)	(163)	(395)	
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	<u>(103)</u> (663)	<u>(18)</u> (269)	<u>195</u> 32	<u>(33)</u> (428)	
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Net change in cash and cash equivalents	\$ (301)	\$	\$ 344	\$ (216)	